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PASS COMMERCE FOR MAJOR EXPORTS PROJECTS DIVISION

E.O. 11652: ADS, DECLAS 2/26/77

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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: FOREST INDUSTRIES AND LIVESTOCK

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1. IN MARCH 1975, ADB APPROVED \$98,000 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TA) GRANT TO GOVERNMENT OF BURMA TO CARRY OUT IN-DEPTH FEASIBILITY STUDY OF FOREST INDUSTRY IN UPPER BURMA WHICH WOULD CONCENTRATE ON IMPROVEMENT OF LOGGING AND TRANSPORT OPERATIONS AND REHABILITATION OF SAWMILLING FACILITIES. (SEE REF B.) CONSULTANT FIRM APPINTEED BY BANK -- ECONOMIC FORESTRY GROUP OF UNITED KINGDOM -- HAS ALREADY COMPLETED REPORT. BANK APPRAISAL MISSION FOR PROPOSED \$24.9 MILLION LOAN EXPECTS TO LEAVE MANILA FOR RANGOON AUGUST 29 TO FORMULATE PROJECT WHICH IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONSIDERATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN NOVEMBER.

2. FOR LOAN PROJECTS, BORROWER SELECTS CONSULTANTS WITH BANK CONCURRENCE, SO EXECUTING AGENCY (TIMBER CORPORATION, RANGOON) SHOULD RECEIVE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST. FYI: BANK IS PROPOSED THAT GOVERNMENT USE SERVICES OF FIVE EXPATRIATE EXPERTS FOR PROJECT. (BANK IS INITIALLY THINKING THAT THESE EXPERTS MIGHT BE INDIVIDUALLY SELECTED, ALTHOUGH BURMESE MAY WISH TO CONSIDER CONSULTING FIRM.) IN BANK'S VIEW, GROUP WOULD CONSIST OF EXTRACTION MANAGER, CIVIL ENGINEER, EQUIPMENT (WORKSHOP) ENGINEER, FINANCIAL ACCOUNTANT AND SAWMILL EXPERT. BANK WOULD HOPE ONE OF ABOVE WOULD ALSO HAVE SOME MARKETING EXPERIENCE. AS BURMESE GENERALLY CONSIDER THEIR OWN TECHNICIANS TO BE WELL QUALIFIED, THEY ARE RELUCTANT TO USE EXPATRIATE CONSULTANTS. SO THIS ISSUE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE A MAJOR ITEM FOR DISCUSSION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND BANK MISSION.

END FYI.

3. BANK ALSO HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION \$50,000 TA GRANT IN COOPERATION WITH FAO FOR LIVESTOCK PROJECT RELATED TO DEVELOPMENT OF PIG AND POULTRY INDUSTRY. IN THIS REGARD, LAST FEBRUARY FAO SUBMITTED IDENTIFICATION REPORT FOR BANK CONSIDERATION. BANK WOULD SHARE COST OF TA WITH FAO WITH IDEA THAT BANK WOULD CONSIDER LOAN PROJECT FOR POSSIBLE \$7.5 MILLION FOREIGN EXCHANGE COMPONENT IN 1977.

4. UNDER PROPOSED TA, FAO WILL RECRUIT CONSULTANT TEAM. HOWEVER, UNDER ANY SUBSEQUENT LOAN, GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SELECTING CONSULTANTS. PERSON TO CONTACT ON PROPOSED TA IS DR. ROGER HARRIS OF FAO INVESTMENT CENTER. ADDRESS IF VIA DELLE TERME DI CARACALLA, ROME 00100 ITALY. CABLE: GOODAERI TELEX 61181.

5. PROPOSED FOREST INDUSTRIES LOAN PROJECT AND PROPOSED LIVESTOCK TA AND LOAN PROJECT ARE LISTED IN ADB DOC. R85-76 ENTITLED MONTHLY OPERATION INFORMATION - JULY 1976 POUCHED NAC AGENCIES AUGUST 13.  
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